

Appendix F - Fire Extinguisher Safety

- Locate your fire extinguishers with care. Fire moves quickly – quick access can make all the difference.

- Several smaller extinguishers located throughout the house are better than one large one that may be difficult to quickly get to.

Key places for your extinguishers are:

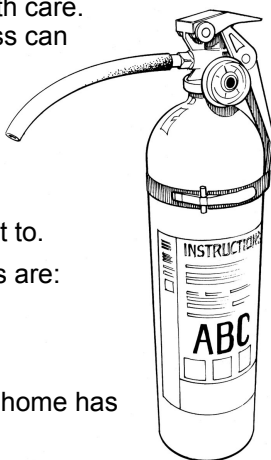
- the kitchen
- the garage, and
- one on every level if your home has multiple floors.

- **A:B:C extinguishers are recommended:**

"A" fires – ordinary combustibles such as wood, paper, cloth, and many plastics

"B" fires – flammable liquids such as gasoline, paints, kitchen grease, and oils

"C" fires – electrical equipment, such as fires in wiring, motors, and appliances



Recommended Size:

approximately 7 lbs. (this will be printed on the canister)

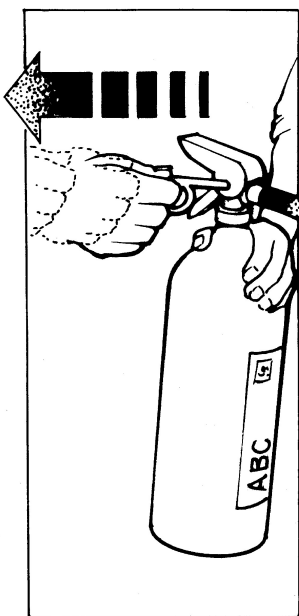
Using a fire extinguisher

- **VITAL:** Keep an escape route open between you and the *small* fire. If the fire is large or becomes too large, immediately get out of the house.

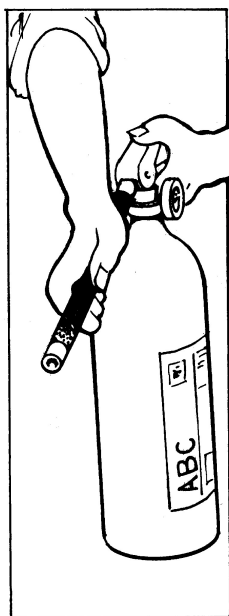
Close the door on your way out to slow the spread of flames.

- Once you are outside, stay outside. Intense heat and toxic fumes can kill you in seconds.

P.A.S.S. - a proven and effective system for putting out fire



P. Pull the pin.



A. Aim at the base of the fire.



S. Squeeze the handle.



S. Sweep the hose side to side.